- 2. Hunters during firearms big game season must wear in a conspicuous manner on head, chest and back a minimum of 400 square inches of solid-colored hunter orange cloth-
- *D. Sport Fishing.* Fishing is permitted on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

ing or material.

- 1. The use of nonmotorized boats only is permitted on Bearce, Conic, and Cranberry Lakes.
- $2. \ \, \text{Fishing} \ \, \text{is permitted during daylight}$ hours only.

POND ISLAND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

- A. Hunting of Migratory Game Birds. [Reserved]
 - B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]
 - C. Big Game Hunting. [Reserved]
- D. Sport Fishing. Fishing is permitted on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following condition: Fishing is permitted from August 16 through the last day of February.

RACHEL CARSON NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

- A. Hunting of Migratory Game Birds. Hunters may hunt ducks, geese, coots, woodcock and snipe on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. Hunters must possess a refuge permit.
- 2. Hunters must remove all personal property from the refuge after each day's hunt.
- B. Upland Game Hunting. Hunters may hunt upland game birds, gray squirrel, cottontail rabbit, snowshoe hare, fox and coyote on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:
- 1. Hunters must possess a refuge permit.
- 2. Hunters may hunt fox and coyote only during the State firearm deer season.
- 3. Hunters during firearms big game season must wear in a conspicuous manner on head, chest and back a minimum of 400 square inches (10.16 square meters) of solid-colored hunter orange clothing or material.
- 4. Hunters will possess and use, while in the field, only nontoxic shot.
- C. Big Game Hunting. Hunters may hunt deer on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:
- 1. Hunters must possess a refuge permit.
- 2. Hunters during firearms big game season must wear in a conspicuous manner on head, chest and back a minimum of 400 square inches (10.16 square meters) of solid-colored hunter orange clothing or material.
 - D. Sport Fishing. [Reserved]

SUNKHAZE MEADOWS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Hunting of Migratory Game Birds. Hunting of migratory game birds is permitted on designated areas of the refuge pursuant to State law.

- B. Upland Game Hunting. Hunting of upland game is permitted on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following condition: Shotgun hunters will and possess and use, while in the field, only nontoxic shot (nontoxic shot regulation to be effective starting with the 1996–97 hunting season).
- *C. Big Game Hunting.* Hunting of deer, moose, or bear is permitted on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following condition:
- 1. Hunters during firearms big game season must wear in a conspicuous manner on head, chest and back a minimum of 400 square inches of solid-colored hunter orange clothing or material.

D. Sport Fishing. [Reserved]

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The following refuge units have been opened for hunting and/or fishing, and are listed in alphabetical order with applicable refuge-specific regulations.

BLACKWATER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

- A. Hunting of Migratory Game Birds. [Reserved]
- B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]
- C. Big Game Hunting. Hunting of deer is permitted on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. Permits are required.
- 2. Handguns and breech-loading rifles are not permitted.
- 3. In the headquarters hunt area, hunters must remain within 30 feet of their stand, unless actively tracking or retrieving wounded deer.
- 4. Hunters during firearms big game season must wear in a conspicuous manner on head, chest and back a minimum of 400 square inches of solid-colored hunter orange clothing or material.

D. Sport Fishing. Fishing and crabbing are permitted on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Fishing and crabbing are permitted from April 1 through October 1 during daylight hours only.
- 2. All fish and crab lines must be attended. 3. Boat launching from refuge lands is not permitted.
- 4. The use of airboats is not permitted on refuge waters.

EASTERN NECK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

- A. Hunting of Migratory Game Birds. [Reserved]
- B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]
- C. Big Game Hunting. Hunting of deer is permitted on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

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- 1. Permits are required.
- 2. Only archery, shotgun, and muzzleloader hunting is permitted.
- 3. Loaded weapons are not permitted in parking areas or on blacktopped roads.
- 4. Hunters must wear in a conspicuous manner on head, chest and back a minimum of 400 square inches of solidcolored hunter orange clothing or material.

(D) Sport Fishing. [Reserved]

PATUXENT RESEARCH REFUGE

- A. Hunting of Migratory Game Birds. Hunters may hunt migratory game birds on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:
- 1. Seasonal permit is required.
- 2. A fee is required for issuance of a seasonal permit.
- 3. The use of a retriever is mandatory on any impounded waters. Retrievers shall be of the traditional breeds, such as Chesapeake Bay, Golden, etc.
- 4. Dogs observed running loose or unattended in unauthorized areas shall be subject to seizure by law enforcement officers.
- B. Upland Game Hunting. Hunters may hunt upland game on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. Seasonal permit is required.
- 2. A fee is required for issuance of a seasonal permit.
- 3. Hunting of upland game is suspended during the firearm deer season.
- 4. Hunters must wear in a conspicuous manner on head, chest and back, a minimum of 400 square inches of solid-colored hunter orange clothing or material.
- 5. Dogs observed running loose or unattended in unauthorized areas shall be subject to seizure by law enforcement officers.
- 6. Shotgun hunters will possess and use, while in the field, only nontoxic shot (nontoxic shot regulation to be effective starting with the 1996-97 hunting season).
- C. Big Game Hunting. Hunters may hunt deer on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. Seasonal permit is required.
- 2. A fee is required for issuance of a seasonal permit.
- 3. Validation of hunter safety proficiency test is required.
- 4. Dogs are not permitted.
- 5. No hunting with black powder handguns will be permitted.
- 6. Possession of rifled slug or pumpkin ball is permitted only during the firearm deer season. Use of buckshot is strictly prohibited.
- 7. Only shotguns loaded with rifled slug or pumpkin ball and black powder rifles, 40 caliber or larger, with not less than 60 grains of black powder or equivalent in Pyrodex, shall be used for hunting deer during the firearm deer season.

- 8. During the firearm deer season, the use of bow and arrow is prohibited.
- 9. Hunting of upland game is suspended during the firearm deer season.
- 10. Hunters must wear in a conspicuous manner on head, chest and back a minimum of 400 square inches of solid-colored hunter orange clothing or material. Bow hunters must follow this requirement when moving to and from the deer stand, but are not required to wear hunter orange when positioned to hunt.
- 11. Only portable deer stands with safety belts are permitted. Safety belts must be worn while in the stand.
- *D. Sport Fishing.* Fishermen may fish in designated waters of the refuge at designated times subject to the following conditions:
- 1. Fishermen may fish only in delineated areas as shown on a map available at the refuge.
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 2. Fresh water fishing and boating laws of the State of Maryland apply to include opening/closing of seasons and creel limits.
- 3. Fishermen may use hook and line tackle and baits permitted by Maryland law, with the exception of live minnows or other fish.
- 4. Special provisions: Cash Lake, a 54 acre lake located on the South Tract requires a federal permit to fish, and a limit of 25 daily permits will be issued. Persons may request a permit application by contacting: National Wildlife Visitor Center, Laurel, Maryland, during normal working hours. Each request must include the person's name, address, and phone number, and the model, year and license number of the vehicle that will drive to the refuge. You may request a fishing date 1 week prior to when you plan to fish. One licensed angler or up to two children under the age of 16 may accompany the permit holder. Open season is June 15 through October 15: 6 a.m. to legal sunset daily. You may fish for the following species: Bass, pickerel, catfish, and sunfish. Daily creel limits: bass, catch and release only; pickerel, catch and release only except you may keep one pickerel greater than 15 inches in length; sunfish and catfish, 15 per day total fish limit. Permittees may use boats subject to the following conditions: no gasoline motors permitted; You may not trailer boats to the water; boats other than canoes may not exceed 14 feet; you may not use sailboats or kayaks.

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